



Electric Cooking in Kampala

Technology Review

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Background

Objective & Scope

Examine trends in power quality through studying power consumption, voltage and frequency stability on an events basis when electric appliances are in use in informal community settlements in Kampala, Uganda.

Method

- 1) Disaggregate temporal electric sensor meter data for analysis and processing
- 2) Comparative study of survey responses in relation to energy consumption data

Software Application

Output

Create an interactive dashboard for data visualization and results for the following stakeholders:

- Research team
- Utility
- Policymakers

Blue Sky

Dashboard contains visualization that updates in real-time as remote sensors capture voltage, current, frequency, and power measurements



Input

Processing

Visualization



Technology Considerations & Selection

NumPy

Array and matrix manipulation

Pandas

Dataframe creation; merging and processing data sets

Matplotlib

Preliminary data visualization

Seaborn

Detailed statistical data visualization

Dash + Plotly.js

Dashboard creation and integration



Seaborn Package

Appeal	Drawbacks
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Builds on top of Matplotlib; integrates with PandasAbility to switch between plot styles quicklyAutomatically perform statistical calculationsSimple one functional call for graphics creation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Memory intensive for complex datasetsCompatibility issues (i.e. with Dash, etc.)Newer development, possibly prone to bugsLess flexibility compared to Matplotlib



Dash Package

Appeal	Drawbacks
Interactive capabilities	Learning curve (prior HTML experience)
Aesthetic appeal	Formatting limitations
Integration with Jupyter Notebooks	Dependent on server callbacks (less efficient than using Javascript code)
Eliminates the need for Javascript, HTML, CSS	Free features only allow hosting dashboard locally